

“(b) CONTENTS OF APPLICATION.—Each application under subsection (a) shall include—

“(1) a comprehensive local plan that enables the school to serve as a center for the delivery of education and human resources for members of a community;

“(2) an evaluation of the needs, available resources, and goals and objectives for the proposed project in order to determine which activities will be undertaken to address such needs;

“(3) a description of the proposed project, including—

“(A) a description of the mechanism that will be used to disseminate information in a manner that is understandable and accessible to the community;

“(B) identification of Federal, State, and local programs to be merged or coordinated so that public resources may be maximized, including programs under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858 et seq.);

“(C) a description of the collaborative efforts to be undertaken by community-based organizations, related public agencies, students, parents, teachers, school administrators, local government, including law enforcement organizations such as Police Athletic and Activity Leagues, businesses, or other appropriate organizations;

“(D) a description of how the school will serve as a delivery center for existing and new services, especially for interactive telecommunication used for education and professional training; and

“(E) an assurance that the school will establish a facility utilization policy that specifically states—

“(i) the rules and regulations applicable to building and equipment use; and

“(ii) supervision guidelines;

“(4) information demonstrating that the local educational agency will—

“(A) provide not less than 35 percent of the annual cost of the activities assisted under the project from sources other than funds provided under this part, which contribution may be provided in cash or in kind, fairly evaluated; and

“(B) provide not more than 25 percent of the annual cost of the activities assisted under the project from funds provided by the Secretary under other Federal programs that permit the use of those other funds for activities assisted under the project; and

“(5) an assurance that the local educational agency, in each year of the project, will maintain the agency's fiscal effort, from non-Federal sources, from the preceding fiscal year for the activities the local educational agency provides with funds provided under this part.

“(b) PRIORITY.—The Secretary shall give priority to applications describing projects that offer a broad selection of services which address the needs of the community.

#### “SEC. 3105. USES OF FUNDS.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Grants awarded under this part may be used to establish or expand community learning centers. The centers may provide 1 or more of the following activities:

“(1) Literacy education programs.

“(2) Senior citizen programs.

“(3) Children's day care services.

“(4) Integrated education, health, social service, recreational, or cultural programs.

“(5) Summer and weekend school programs in conjunction with recreation programs.

“(6) Nutrition and health programs.

“(7) Expanded library service hours to serve community needs.

“(8) Telecommunications and technology education programs for individuals of all ages.

“(9) Parenting skills education programs.

“(10) Support and training for child day care providers.

“(11) Employment counseling, training, and placement, and job skills preparation.

“(12) Services for individuals who leave school before graduating from secondary school, regardless of the age of such individual.

“(13) Services for individuals with disabilities.

“(14) After school programs, that—

“(A) shall include at least 2 of the following—

“(i) mentoring programs;

“(ii) academic assistance;

“(iii) recreational activities; or

“(iv) technology training; and

“(B) may include—

“(i) drug, alcohol, and gang prevention activities;

“(ii) health and nutrition counseling; and

“(iii) job skills preparation activities.

“(b) LIMITATION.—Not less than ⅓ of the amount appropriated under section 10907 for each fiscal year shall be used for after school programs, as described in paragraph (14). Such programs may also include activities described in paragraphs (1) through (13) that offer expanded opportunities for children or youth.

“(c) ADMINISTRATION.—In carrying out the activities described in subsection (a), a local educational agency or school shall, to the greatest extent practicable—

“(1) request volunteers from business and academic communities, and law enforcement organizations, such as Police Athletic and Activity Leagues, to serve as mentors or to assist in other ways;

“(2) ensure that youth in the local community participate in designing the after school activities;

“(3) develop creative methods of conducting outreach to youth in the community;

“(4) request donations of computer equipment and other materials and equipment; and

“(5) work with State and local park and recreation agencies so that activities carried out by the agencies prior to the date of enactment of this subsection are not duplicated by activities assisted under this part.”.

#### “SEC. 3106. DEFINITION.

“For the purpose of this part, the term ‘community learning center’ means an entity within a public elementary or secondary school building that—

“(1) provides educational, recreational, health, and social service programs for residents of all ages within a local community; and

“(2) is operated by a local educational agency in conjunction with local governmental agencies, including law enforcement organizations such as the Police Athletic and Activity League, businesses, vocational education programs, institutions of higher education, community colleges, and cultural, recreational, and other community and human service entities.

#### “SEC. 3107. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

“There are authorized to be appropriated \$1,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2001, and such sums as may be necessary for each of the four succeeding fiscal years, to carry out this part.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 3116

On page 254, line 11, strike “\$500,000,000” and insert “\$1,000,000,000”.

#### NOTICE OF HEARINGS

##### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, May 16, 2000, at 3 p.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this hearing is to conduct general oversight on the U.S. Forest Service's proposed transportation policy.

Those who wish to submit written statements should write to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510. For further information, please call Mark Rey (202) 224-2878.

##### SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

Mr. SMITH of Oregon. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a legislative hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

The hearing will take place on Wednesday, May 24, 2000, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony on S. 2163, a bill to provide for a study of the engineering feasibility of a water exchange in lieu of electrification of the Chandler Pumping Plant at Prosser Diversion Dam, Washington; S. 2396, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into contracts with the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District, Utah, to use Weber Basin Project facilities for the impounding, storage, and carriage of nonproject water for domestic, municipal, industrial, and other beneficial purposes; S. 2248, a bill to assist in the development and implementation of projects to provide for the control of drainage water, storm water, flood water, and other water as part of water-related integrated resource management, environmental infrastructure, and resource protection and development projects in the Colusa Basin Watershed, California; S. 2410, a bill to increase the authorization of appropriations for the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978, and for other purposes; and S. 2425, a bill to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the planning, design, and construction of the Bend Feed Canal Pipeline Project, Oregon, and for other purposes.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify

by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Subcommittee on Water and Power, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, 364 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information, please call Trici Heninger, Staff Assistant, or Colleen Deegan, Counsel, at (202) 224-8115.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the full Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 3 p.m., on Wednesday, May 3, 2000, in executive session, to mark up the fiscal year 2001 Defense authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Wednesday, May 3, 2000, at 9:30 a.m. on the Boston Central Artery Tunnel.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 3, 2000, at 2 p.m., to mark up pending legislation. The meeting will be held in the committee room, 485 Russell Senate Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Rules and Administration be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 3, 2000, at 9:30 a.m., to receive testimony on political speech on the Internet.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Joint Committee on Taxation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 3, 2000, to hear testimony on Joint Review of the Strategic Plans and Budget of the IRS.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SUBCOMMITTEE ON AIRLAND FORCES

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Airland Forces of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 11 a.m., on Wednesday,

May 3, 2000, in executive session, to mark up the FY 2001 Defense authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Seapower of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, May 3, 2000, in executive session, to mark up the FY 2001 Defense authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 3, 2000, in Executive Session, to mark up the FY 2001 Defense authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Laura Chow, a legislative fellow in my office, be granted floor privileges during the entire debate on the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. DODD. I ask unanimous consent for floor privileges for three individuals on Senate bill 2: Kathy Hogan-Bruen, Meredith Miller, and Shannon Faltens.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Ann Ifekwunigwe, a fellow of my office, be granted the privilege of the floor for the entire ESEA debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Matthew Lyon, a fellow with the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, be afforded floor privileges during the consideration of S. 2, the Educational Opportunities Act, and during any votes in relation thereto.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator HATCH, I ask unanimous consent that Becky Shipp of Senator HATCH's staff and Jeff Taylor, a detailee from the Justice Department on the Judiciary Committee, be accorded the privileges of the floor during consideration of S. 2, the Education Opportunities Act, and during votes in relation to the bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2000

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today it adjourn until the hour of 9:45 a.m. on Thursday, May 4. I further ask consent that on Thursday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate resume consideration of S. 2 under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PROGRAM

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, at 9:45 a.m. the Senate will resume consideration of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, with debate on the Abraham-Mack merit pay amendment to begin immediately. Following the consideration of that amendment, Senator MURRAY will be recognized to offer her amendment regarding class size. Votes are expected throughout the day. As usual, Senators will be notified as these votes are scheduled. As a reminder, the Senate will not meet on Friday in order to accommodate the Democratic retreat.

#### ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. JEFFORDS. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order, following the remarks of Senators BYRD and GRASSLEY.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The Senator from West Virginia is recognized under the previous order.

#### MIKE EPSTEIN

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President:

God hath not promised  
Skies always blue  
Flower-strewn pathways  
All our lives through;  
God hath not promised  
Sun without rain,  
Joy without sorrow,  
Peace without pain.  
But God hath promised  
Strength for the day,  
Rest for the laborer,  
And light on the way,  
Grace for the trials,  
Help from above,  
Unfailing sympathy  
And undying love.

Mr. President, I have quoted this bit of poetry because I am thinking of Mike Epstein, Senator WELLSTONE's long serving legislative director. Mike Epstein, I heard only yesterday, is gravely ill. I know that he is facing